

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

JULY	21/23	Aberystwyth Congres
AUGUST	4/11	WORLD JUNIOR BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS NOTTINGHAM
	28	Bridgend Charity One-Day Congress
	31	Closing Date for entry Gold, Welsh, Cambria, Ladies Cups
SEPTEMBER	2/3	Welsh Foursomes - Awel-y-Mor, Porthcawl & Mens T
	10	EXECUTIVE MEETING - HEREFORD
	17	Veteran Pairs - Swansea Bridge Club (Closing date 10/9/89)
	22/24	Lampeter Congress
		BBL Isle of Man Congress
	24	Harold Griffiths Cup (or QRs if necessary) - NORTH
	30/Oct1	LADIES WELSH CUP & MENS TEAMS - LLANDRINDOD
OCTOBER	1	Closing date YOUNG PLAYERS CUP
	7/8	CAMROSE TRIAL I
	15	Julius Ernest Shield - EAST
	22	Louis Lermon Cup - EAST
		Area Mixed Pairs - WEST - WAC
	28/29	CAMROSE TRIAL II
		YOUNG PLAYERS CUP
	29	Yalance Cup (Individual) - NORTH
	31	Closing Date - INTERNATIONAL MASTERS PAIRS
NOVEMBER	2/5	PORTHCAWL CONGRESS
	10/12	LLANGOLLEN CONGRESS

#### LADY MILNE 1989

WALES beat N Ireland 48-42 and Scotland 48-42 but lost to England 35-55 and ENGLAND who beat all 3 teams won the trophy with 161, Scotland 133 Wales 131 and N Ireland 114. J Casey A Hirst D Kurbalija J & J R Newton M Pierce rep Wales.

#### TENBY CONGRESS

npc J Poole

Championship Pairs	J Glubb S R Richards
Championship Teams	P D Jourdain F Kurbalija J Glubb S R Richards
Ladies Pairs	Mrs Margaret Davies Mrs Janet Hirst
Mixed Pairs	Mr & Mrs B & R Keable
Mens Pairs	P D Jourdain F Kurbalija

#### EASTERN AREA RESULTS

Herbert Thomas Cup	1 D Jones J Carr D Mottram P Lewis
	2 P & J Chimes R Hall E Favager

#### Club Teams of 8

Arthur James Bowl	S Daniel P D Jourdain M Best P Goodman
Beatus Cup	P & J Chimes E Robinson R Lewis

#### WESTERN AREA RESULTS

Ossie Evans Cup	Mrs M Williams K Pratt
Club Teams of 8	Swansea Bridge Club A
Addenbrooke Cup	D Hardie G Martin



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#### Editorial:

Recently the ACBL (USA) commissioned a market survey of its members. The most disturbing facts to emerge were that the average age of a member has risen to 58 over the last ten years and is still rising, total membership has fallen from 230,000 to 180,000 in the same period and they have more members over 70 than under 35.

Whereas the tendency in the WBU is for membership to increase slightly from year to year, it is mainly because older people are learning to play bridge. The BBL are urging the home unions to attract more Junior Players (between 16 and 25) to the game, so that interest in our favourite hobby will continue. The WBU Council have asked me to appeal to all clubs and individual members to assist in what can only be done at local level, since they fear that we have hardly any members within this age group. Sweden with an extensive Youth Programme has reached the position where 30% of its membership is under 25.

Clubs, please notify the WBU secretary of the names and ages of your members who are in this age group, so we have a register of young players, and please actively welcome and encourage Juniors.

One idea, instigated in Scotland, is for a club to adopt a local school or university. The club should be able to offer some general introduction to the game, to arrange lessons, and provide materials for a small duplicate. It is suggested that if juniors are invited to the club duplicate they should pay a reduced entry fee to encourage them to attend, and perhaps a reduced club membership fee. Another possibility is to organise a junior event to be run in parallel with a "senior" event, where maybe the parents of youngsters are playing. Could all clubs, each appoint one member to be responsible actively to try to draw in new young members?

We depend on clubs to play their part, but also on each individual member encouraging young relatives and friends to learn to play and join our ranks. Have you any suggestions on how to promote Junior Bridge?

How about going to watch the World Junior Championship at Nottingham University, and taking them along so they can see young players from different countries enjoying competing at bridge, and realise that it is not just a game for the elderly.

## NATIONAL TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

1. Entry forms for next year's competitions have now been circulated to club secretaries. The closing date for entry to the Gold Cup, Welsh Cup, Cambria Cup, Men's Teams and Ladies Welsh Cup is 31st August 1989.
2. The Veteran Pairs heat will be held at Swansea Bridge Club on Sunday 17th September, at Swansea Bridge Club starting at 1 p.m. Please note the starting time.
3. The venue for the Ladies Welsh Cup and the Men's Teams is the Pavilion, Llandrindod Wells. This is quite close to the Commodore Hotel for those wishing to book overnight accommodation.

## RESULTS

### WELSH CUP

A Casey, G Needham, A Pierce, J Salisbury, R G Upton beat G Martin's team in the final by 10 imp.

### CAMBRIA CUP winners

L Atkinson, D Birt, P Felman, D Ronson

### WEBBER CUP

1. G Martin, D Hardie, P Goodman, F Kurbalija
2. T J Isaac, H W Leach, M J Baker, J Seal

### NATIONAL TEAMS OF 8

1. SHOTTON P & S Edwards, R Graham, B Boothroyd, M Percik  
G Mitchell, R Edwards, S Doubt
- 2 Cardiff Green

### PERRY SHIELD

There was a tie with each team winning one match 19-17. the West beat the East 19-17 the North beat the West 19-17 and the East beat the North 19-17. On a split tie on imp the Shield was awarded to the East. J Butler, W Davies, M Hirst, A Pierce, P Goodman, F Kurbalija.

### SPICKETT BOWL

EAST J Casey, M Pierce, A Hirst, D Kurbalija, G Clench, S Howarth.

### NORTHERN AREA RESULTS

- Laszio Cup (Area Pairs Championship) 1 R Morgan Edwards Dr F N Pannell  
2 Pam & Simon Edwards
- Wartski Cup (Club Teams) 1 Shotton 2 Wrexham GV

## SELECTION TO REPRESENT WALES IN INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

Pairs who wish to play for Wales in the Camrose, the Lady Milne or the Junior Camrose are invited to submit an application in writing, signed by both players to the WBU secretary, Mrs M P Aherne, 19 Penygraig, Rhiwbina, Cardiff, CF4 6ST. If an acknowledgement is required please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

Closing dates for applications:

CAMROSE	1st September 1989
LADY MILNE	27th October 1989
JUNIOR CAMROSE	27th October 1989

The selectors would be interested in details of past achievements.

The CAMROSE trial dates are 7th/8th October 1989  
28th/29th October 1989  
18/19th November 1989

Applicants should be available for all 3 trial dates.

The first trial will be at the Beaufort Arms Hotel, Raglan.

The LADY MILNE trial dates are 16th/17th December 1989  
21st/22nd April 1989

Applicants should be available for both dates. The first trial will be in the Monmouth area.

The JUNIOR CAMROSE trial date is 18th/19th November 1989.

N.B. Applicants should be eligible by birth/residency or by attendance at a university in Wales for the Junior Camrose. If in doubt please contact the WBU secretary.

## BRITISH BRIDGE LEAGUE

Applications are invited from Mixed Teams (comprising two mixed partnerships) and Mixed Pairs to participate in a new championship to be organised by the European Bridge League in Bordeaux, France 21/25th March 1990. Teams 21st/23rd. Pairs 24th/25th. Applications in writing by 31st October 1989 to Mrs A Gudge, 13 Chaucer Road, Sudbury, Suffolk Co 10 6LN. The BBL regrets that it is unable to offer any financial assistance to players wishing to compete.